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Applicant: Noritoshi NAKAGAWA et al. Conf.: 8419  
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For: VISCOELASTIC CHARACTERISTIC VALUE-  
MEASURING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF  
MEASURING VISCOELASTIC CHARACTERISTIC  
VALUE

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated January 29, 2003, the due date for response having been extended three months to July 29, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes claim amendments and remarks.

The amendments presented herein comply with the "Revised Amendment Format" as set forth in the Official Gazette Notice dated February 25, 2003. In accordance with the Notice, the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)-(d) are waived.